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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1143  
By Mumpower

A RESOLUTION to congratulate Jerry Cameron Teague and Etta Louise Teague on the celebration of their fiftieth wedding anniversary.

WHEREAS, this General Assembly takes great pleasure in honoring those successful marriages that have prevailed to serve as a standard for present and future generations; and

WHEREAS, Jerry Cameron Teague and Etta Louise Wheatley were joined in holy matrimony on May 18, 1952 at the First Baptist Church in Greenville; since that delightful day, this outstanding couple has faced the world as one, depending upon their love for each other during life's joys and sorrows; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Teague have been highly respected citizens of the Kingsport community for over forty-five years; they are the very epitome of good neighbors, as they always endeavor to treat others as they would like to be treated; and

WHEREAS, after honorably serving his country in the United States Army, Jerry Teague attended the University of Tennessee at Knoxville; and

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WHEREAS, Mr. Teague accepted a position as an Engineer with Mead Paper in Chillicothe, Ohio; he was later transferred to the Mead Kingsport Mill in Kingsport; and

WHEREAS, although he is now retired, he served with acumen and alacrity as an Engineer with Mead Paper for many years, earning the respect of his peers and superiors alike for the exemplary quality of his work and his dedication to his duties; and

WHEREAS, Louise Teague is deeply devoted to her family; as a wife and mother, she has made her home a haven of joy and beauty; and

WHEREAS, after her children were grown, Mrs. Teague began working outside the home; in every position she has held, she has served with the utmost dedication, wisdom, and diligence; and

WHEREAS, compelled to make a positive difference in their community, Jerry and Louise Teague are active in state and local politics; they are valued members of the Sullivan County Republican Party and Tennessee Republican Party; Louise Teague is also a member of the Republican Women of Kingsport and Bristol; and

WHEREAS, Jerry Teague has been fittingly honored with the 2002 First Congressional District Statesman of the Year Award by the Tennessee Republican Party; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Teague are both faithful members of the Colonial Heights Baptist Church, where they serve on various committees and participate in the Tennessee Baptist Convention; and

WHEREAS, this couple's praiseworthy marriage has produced three wonderful children; the Teagues' children and their spouses are Edward and Leshia Teague, Amy and Roy Settle, and David and Rachel Teague; and

WHEREAS, Jerry and Louise Teague are also the proud grandparents of Douglas Settle, Brandon Settle, Lindsey Teague, and Daniel Teague; and

WHEREAS, for fifty years this blessed union has endured to serve as a testament to the power of love and family; and

WHEREAS, marriages such as the Teagues' represent the best of our society, as they remind us of the beauty and value of continuity and commitment; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby honor and congratulate Jerry Cameron Teague and Etta Louise Teague on the celebration of their fiftieth wedding anniversary and extend to them our best wishes for much continued happiness in the years to come.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.